

INDOT 2030 LRP Update Early Coordination Meeting Notes:

Crawfordsville District; June 28, 2004, 2:30 PM

Attendees:

Steve Smith,	INDOT – Long Range Planning Section
Dan Buck,	INDOT – Long Range Planning Section
Steve Isenhower,	INDOT – Crawfordsville District
David Whitworth,	INDOT – Crawfordsville District
Joe Lewien,	INDOT – Crawfordsville District Traffic Engineer
Elmo Gonzalez,	INDOT – Crawfordsville District, District Director

Overview: Steve Smith kicked the meeting off discussing the meeting's purpose and expected outcome. The outline of the meeting was structured based on the Crawfordsville District's response to the Early Coordination 2004 Long Range Plan Update letter sent to the District in April. This letter requested INDOT Districts and MPO personnel to reevaluate major expansion projects in the INDOT 25-year plan for their areas and document changes in project priorities (changes in scope, and/or project deletion, delay, or advancement); identify new expansion projects to be evaluated for inclusion in INDOT's 2030 plan update; and develop a list of planning issues the MPO/District faces that should be addressed in the 2030 plan update. Listed below are topics/issues discussed.

Dan Buck then presented the INDOT Travel Demand Model 2030 No-Build and Build LOS maps and the HERS 2030 Recommended Improvements Number of Lanes and Improvement Time Period maps.

Discussion of New Projects/District Issues:

US 41 from Holman Avenue to Margaret Street: This is a new project recommendation for the City of Terre Haute. The location is just north of I-70. This is a road that goes from six lanes to five lanes back to six lanes. Recommendation is to make it a continuous six lane segment for approximately one mile in length.

Comment: *That section is shown on our LOS maps as a deficiency. The District will submit this as a new project proposal.*

US 231 from CR 800 South to just North of I-70: The consultant BLA is currently doing a Corridor Study in that area.

Comment: *INDOT will develop any projects that may arise out of recommendations from the current study.*

US 231 from US 52 to I-65 in West Lafayette: There is a proposal to continue the western US 231 bypass from current ending at I-65 further east over to SR 43. The demand or need for this segment is not clearly identified. The District is not sure if this is necessary. Our Travel Demand Model LOS doesn't show any immediate need.

Comment: *We will talk with the Lafayette MPO and see if they have any data that justifies this project. Our current modeling projections do not show a need for a project.*

SR 26 from CR 550 East to I-65: The Lafayette MPO wants 4 lanes E of I-65. There is currently an engineers study underway and we will wait for the engineers report to make a final decision. Traffic Engineer says it doesn't make sense to reroute 26 back up 52, take it on over to I-65 instead.

Comment: *We will wait for the results of the engineers report to see what recommendations for projects that may arise.*

SR 267 from SR 276 connecting to SR 67: The City of Plainfield and several developers are pushing for a new road to connect SR 267 to SR 67. However parts of the proposed route would go through sections of the Bat habitat just set up to offset the area lost for the Six Points Road Interchange construction. The City has stated they will submit a formal letter outlining their proposal with details.

Comment: *We will wait for the formal letter outlining what the City is proposing before making any recommendations for a new project.*

SR 28 from SR 39 to Doyle Road: The project is moving forward. The current RFC date is for a September 2004 letting.

Comment: *Keep the project on its current schedule for RFC letting in September of 2004.*

SR 334 Zionsville Road to US 421: This is a TSM project.

Comment: *This is a TSM project, everything is okay with it. It doesn't need to be shown in the INDOT LRP.*

US 36: 267 to I-465: Karl Leet at INDOT is currently doing an engineers report. The Indy MPO is looking at parallel streets as alternatives. The MPO local project on 10th street is now moved up to help relieve US 36. There currently is an EA/Corridor Study underway of Danville for a bypass. No decisions made yet on final solution for SR 39.

Comment: *INDOT will wait for the results of the engineers report and the Danville Bypass Study before making decisions as to what projects will be planned for that area.*

SR 39 from Monrovia N to US 40: The District suggests a curved connection at US 40 to provide a better working intersection. Steve Smith says looks like not a capacity issue but curve correction.

Comment: *District to submit a project to Programming, but it is not a capacity issue so it would not go into the LRP.*

US 421 from 121st Street to 146th Street: This project is actually going to be a four lane segment up to 300 south. Then it becomes a "Super 2" segment north up to SR 32.

Comment: *INDOT will revise the LRP to reflect the "Super 2" segment for the northern piece up to SR 32.*